Press Note.

The Government of India have observed that, on a number of occasions, non-official organisations or private persons have invited foreigners to attend conferences, discussion groups and lecture tours. Not infrequently both the persons invited and their hosts have been put to great inconvenience because of the delay or failure to obtain the necessary visa facilities for visiting the country. The Government of India wish to emphasise that in order to avoid this difficulty it will be desirable for private persons and non-official bodies to inform in advance the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs of their intention to invite foreigners. Only after the Ministry of Home Affairs have agreed to issue visas in favour of the persons whom it is proposed to invite, should invitations be sent out. This will prevent last-minute rush, inconvenience and possible misunderstandings.

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FOREST DEPARTMENT.

BANGALORE DISTRICT.

Notification dated 12th April 1952.

Sale of Casuarina Trees.

It is hereby notified for general information that the right to cut and remove the Casuarina tree yielding Poles and Firewood in the following plantations as per details in the Schedule noted below, will be sold by public auction by the District Forest Officer, Bangalore, or by any other officer, deputed by him on Friday the 2nd May 1952 at 2 P.M. in the District Forest Office, Bangalore District, Sandal Koti Building, Malleswaram, Bangalore 3. The sale is subject to the confirmation by the District Forest Officer, or the Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore, Bangalore, as the case may be.

The sale will be held on acreage basis and trees yielding poles whose approximate heights and girths are 10 inches to 28 inches respectively as per the Schedule noted below, available in the said plantations (exclusive of the fuel yielding trees) have been duly marked.

Each bidder shall before he is permitted to bid produce a solvency certificate in the prescribed form with an earnest deposit of Rs. 200 with the Sale Conducting Officer before the sale is commenced.

Immediately after the sale is closed the highest bidder should pay the full sale amount with usual cesses and sales-tax and health cess at one anna per rupee.

The trees purchased should be removed before the end of November 1952 from the date of execution of the agreement which the purchaser has to execute within seven days from the date of intimation of the confirmation order.

For further conditions and other particulars please apply to the District Forest Officer, Bangalore District, Sandal Koty Buildings, Malleswaram, Bangalore 3.

SCHEDULE.

Doddaballapur Range.

(1) Koramangala Extension	...	3½ acres of 1939	306	trees
		62 do 1940		
(2) Mandibele ...	...	23 do 1940	4-40	trees

The girth of the trees are 1' and 2'—4" The approximat yield of fuel in the above two forests will be about 8 to 10 tons of fuel in each plantation.

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KOLAR FOREST DIVISION.

Tender Notification (in Brief) dated 9th April 1952.

Sealed tenders are hereby invited for the right of cutting and removal of fuel trees for fuel or carbonising charcoal as the case may be in the undermentioned fuel coupes of the following State Forests of Kolar District for the year 1952-53, *i.e.*, up to end of 31st March 1953, from the date of acceptance by the District Forest Officer, Kolar District or the Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore, Bangalore, as the case may be.

Tenders will be received up to 4 P.M. on the 5th May 1952 by the District Forest Officer, Kolar.

Tenders must be superscribed "*Tender for Fuel Coupes*" and must be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Kolar. in sealed covers.

Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 50 in currency notes. The deposits of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned.

The address of each tenderer should be given in full and each tenderer must clearly specify the rate at which he is prepared to purchase the coupe on acreage basis.

Each tenderer is expected to see the coupes and satisfy himself about the fuel stock before he puts in his tender.

The successful tenderers within fifteen days of the intimation of acceptance of their tender, will execute the usual agreement on a stamped paper of proper value with a security deposit of Rs. 50 for each coupe purchased by him on payment of the full value of the coupes together with usual cesses thereon.

No extension of time to work out any unworked or partly worked coupes will be granted beyond 31st March 1953 under any circumstances and all such coupes along with all the materials remaining unremoved will lapse to Government.

For further conditions and other particulars please ascertain the same from the District Forest Officer, Kolar, or the Range Forest Officer concerned.

Particulars of Fuel Coupes Available for 1952-53.

	Name of forest	Name of W.C.	C. No. and year	Area in inches	Approximate yield
	I. BAGEPALLI RANGE.				
1	N.D.B. State Forest Block V ...	I W.C.	8—52-53 ...	124	3 Tons per acre
2	Do do ...	II W.C.	8—52-53 ...	124	3½ do
	II. SRINIVASAPUR RANGE.				
3	Royalpod State Forest Block II...	II S.W.C.	25—52-53 ...	47	3½ do
4	Do do III...	Waeswara batta W.C.	25—52-53 ...	60	2½ do
	III. KOLAR RANGE.				
5	Gokunte-gollahalli State Forest ...	S.W.C.	13—52-53 ...	71	2½ do
6	Do do ...	N.W.C.	18—52-53 ...	88	3 do
7	Do do ...	N.W.C.	12—51-52 ...	88	3 do

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